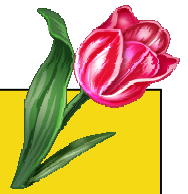


PTSD bows its knee to The Christ!

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A recent retreat guest of ours was living in New York, watched the second plane hit the World Trade Center and was a “first responder” on Sept 11, 2001. What she experienced during that season brought distress and devastation to every area of her life - never to be the same again! The following testimony is part of her healing story and her offer of hope to those still suffering from Post Traumatic Stress Disorder. Remember some weeks ago I asked you to pray for a guest? Well, this is she, and your prayers were answered!

“A friend told me about her exceptionally positive experience with Neil and Kathy’s [private healing retreat] ministry and immediately I contacted them to arrange to see them as well. Upon arriving at their home, I was really scared about reliving the memories of that day and opening up the wounds that took so long to dress. I didn’t know



what to expect from the experience but knew that God had called me to their home at that time to deal with overloaded baggage that had become too heavy for me to carry alone.

After experiencing extreme trauma from witnessing and responding to the terrorist attacks on September 11th, I couldn’t afford to receive counseling, yet I continued in my job, working in a capacity that focused on evaluating humanitarian response and the impact of natural disasters. This only served to keep the horror alive in my mind and further magnify the intensity of aftermath in my life and relationships, building upon lies that had already been planted in my mind.

The result [of three long sessions] was that Jesus, in all of His grace, compassion and goodness, kindly **spoke through the Holy Spirit to bestow perfect healing into what had previously been deep-seated emotional trauma!**

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News & Praises

-Thanks and blessings to you who so faithfully support this great work of His.

-As a family we are so blessed to have many positive Christian influences in our lives! We are members of Christ the King Church Anacortes, plus, when possible, we attend two different home fellowships Monday and Friday nights, plus, a noon prayer meeting on Wednesdays. We continue the Bethel Leadership Development Program (LDP-1) together with a pastor couple, Global Legacy (www.igloballegacy.org) monthly video conferences, and Mission Increase Foundation (www.missionincrease.org) seminar series.

We acknowledge that God has privileged us, over the course of our 26 yrs of marriage & ministry, to spend thousands of dollars and invest huge amounts of time to pursue His wisdom, which is of greater worth than rubies. We are exceedingly grateful for the countless people – teachers, leaders, saints and just ‘normal’ folk - who have sacrificially sowed into us and we desire to pass whatever we gain onto others. In light of that desire, we’re planning a trip:

- Neil and Kathy are going to visit Josh at the Univ. of the Nations in Kona, HI in June. We will be supporting Josh, networking with leaders and auditing classes in a new school he is helping launch.

- No boat news.



Skagit Valley tulips blooming near us.

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In prayer with Neil, I gave up the grief I had held onto so tightly for so many years, and the Holy Spirit spoke God's truth that the duration of grief is for a season. He then healed the deep and overwhelming emotions I harbored for the victims, families, responders and all who are affected by such events and disasters.

In quietly revealing hidden lies that negatively impacted my self-image, the Holy Spirit gently affirmed my worth. He helped to re-establish my belief in relationships and clearly showed me that He binds up wounded hearts.

When I left Neil and Kathy I was healed and happy, with a regained confidence in myself based on knowing how God sees me and protects me. I happily sang Christian songs for the 2-hour drive home in great praise and honor to the One who sees all things, has the power to heal all things and cares about all things. I retain this same sense of perfect healing today and the disasters of life have lost their debilitating hold on my life. Whereas I once had a really hard time looking at photos where natural disasters occurred, I can now look at them with compassion but without the debilitating and soulful grief that once consumed me when I saw images of devastation.

I cannot express enough gratitude and thanks to Neil and Kathy for their exceptional and Christ-centered ministry, hospitality and sincere expression of love. They are two of God's saints in this world and it is such an honor to have been their client and to have partaken in their ministry. I hope to have the opportunity to learn and practice prayer ministry in the future as well to take part in blessing others the way I've been so abundantly blessed.

Suzanne Lee
Seattle WA

Spring has finally arrived and the garden is coming alive – quickly! Thank you, Michael & Alicia McGee for lending some muscle and sweat (and fun) to our enormous job! The garden gate is always open if anyone wants to enter in and join the fun for an hour or two!



I admit it. I get such pleasure from watching Father heal something of which the experts say, “you will just have to learn to cope with it the rest of your life.” **God always has a better answer for every human need.**

Is. 53:4 says “Surely He (Jesus) has borne our griefs and carried our sorrows...”, and will exchange them for great things. (Is. 61:3) Don't forget that in order to cash in on this part of our benefit package we must **give** Him our junk in order for Him to exchange it for His treasures.

Quotable Quote:

“If Jesus said to do it, it's NOT presumptuous.”
Unknown (I forget)

*Blessings from Capt.
Neil and Crew!*

Prayer Requests

- Home lease: Just received word from our landlords that they are putting the house back on the market May 24th. If/when it sells, we have 60 days to vacate. If it doesn't sell, we may get a slight reduction in rent (at end of Sept.) Please keep praying for God's perfect will and wisdom for us regarding this.

- More of God's favor, wisdom and revelation.

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